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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM SERVICE AND BILATERAL TALKS

REF: BUENOS AIRES 812, BUENOS AIRES 888

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES EMBASSY SHOULD CONTINUE TAKE POSITION IN DISCUSSIONS WITH GOA THAT US PREPARED RESUME DIALOGUE AS SOON AS GOA ALLOWS PA FLIGHT 515/516 TO CHANGE GAUGE AT CARACAS AND THAT CONTINUED SUSPENSION THIS FLIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECTS STATUS QUO AND THEREFORE COULD LEAD USG TO ALTER STATUS QUO OF AEROLINEAS OPERATIONS TO U.S. HOWEVER WE RECOGNIZE PRESENT ARGENTINE POSITION RE ALLOWING PA FLIGHT 515/516 TO CONTINUE NOT ABSOLUTELY CLEAR. IN VIEW OF NEED TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER BY END OF FEBRUARY TO AVOID LOSS OF PAN AM FREQUENCY WE ARE ANXIOUS TIME NOT BE WASTED, AND ARE THEREFORE FORWARDING TEXT OF NOTE RESPONDING FORMALLY TO GOA NOTE FOR EMBASSY TO HAVE ON HAND AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DELIVER AT ITS DISCRETION. HOWEVER, SHOULD IT BECOME CLEAR

THAT GOA WILL IN FACT PERMIT CHANGE OF GAUGE AT CARACAS,  
NOTE SHOULD NOT BE DELIVERED BEFORE FURTHER CONSULTATION  
WITH DEPARTMENT.

2. TEXT OF NOTE IS AS FOLLOWS:

"...AND HAS THE HONOR TO REAFFIRM THE DESIRE OF THE  
EMBASSY TO PARTICIPATE IN INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS WITH  
THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA CONCERNING AIR TRANSPORT RE-  
LATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THE PROPOSED DIALOGUE  
WOULD HAVE TO PROCEED FROM THE UNDERSTANDING THAT CIVIL  
AVIATION RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ARE BASED  
ON THE PRINCIPLES OF COMITY AND RECIPROCITY. IN THE  
INTEREST OF THESE PRINCIPLES THE U.S. BELIEVES THAT THE  
STATUS QUO AS IT EXISTED WITH REGARD TO THE OPERATIONS OF  
OUR RESPECTIVE AIRLINES SHOULD PREVAIL UNTIL SOME NEW  
UNDERSTANDING IS REACHED.

"THE ACTION OF THE AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES IN DISAPPROV-  
ING THE PROPOSAL OF PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS TO CHANGE GAUGE  
AT CARACAS INSTEAD OF AT PANAMA HAS, IN EFFECT, RESULTED  
IN THE SUSPENSION OF ONE OF PAN AMERICAN'S FLIGHTS INTO  
BUENOS AIRES, ALTHOUGH THE PROPOSED CHANGE OF GAUGE  
WOULD NOT HAVE AFFECTED CAPACITY BETWEEN THE UNITED  
STATES AND ARGENTINA. THE CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECTS THE STATUS QUO,  
AND THEREFORE GIVES RISE TO PRESSURES ON THE UNITED STATES  
GOVERNMENT TO CORRESPONDINGLY TAKE RECIPROCAL ACTION  
WHICH COULD INCLUDE AN ALTERATION IN THE STATUS OF AERO-  
LINEAS ARGENTINAS OPERATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES IN ORDER  
TO RESTORE THE EXISTING EQUILIBRIUM IN OUR CIVIL AVIATION  
RELATIONS.

"IF, HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA WERE TO ALLOW  
THE PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT IN QUESTION, TO CONTINUE, AND  
THUS RESTORE THE STATUS QUO, THE EMBASSY WOULD BE PRE-  
PARED TO ACCEPT THE SUGGESTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF  
ARGENTINA TO BEGIN INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS. A MUTUAL  
ACCOMMODATION OF THIS NATURE WOULD BE A WELCOME INITIAL  
STEP TOWARD THE RESOLUTION OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING ISSUES  
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IN THE CIVIL AVIATION FIELD.

"COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE." KISSINGER

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